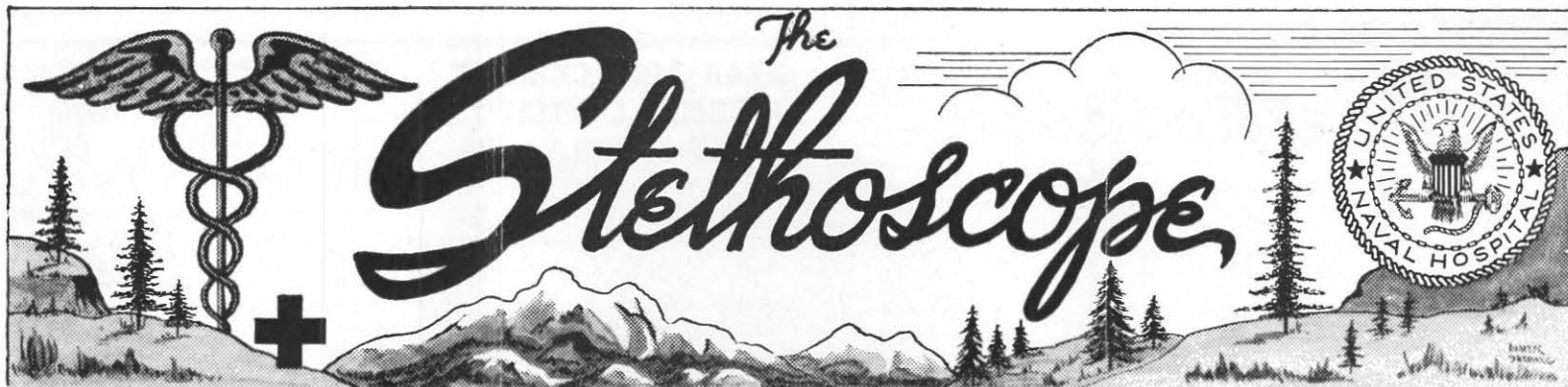




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DECORATIONS GIVEN TWO PATIENTS

POLASKI AND BUCK AWARDED BRONZE STAR MEDALS

Honors in the form of Bronze Star medals and citations came to two U. S. Naval Hospital patients this past week with the presentations taking place on succeeding days.

Chief Boatswain's Mate Ray Anthony Polaski, Ward 46, was presented with the medal by Rear Admiral W. L. Mann, Jr., 13th Naval District Medical Officer.

The citation from Fleet Admiral Nimitz, USN, presented to Polaski with the Bronze Star set forth that he was receiving it:

"For meritorious service as Chief Boatswain's Mate of a U. S. Naval vessel while operating in Central and South Pacific waters from 12 April, 1941, to 27 September, 1944.

"By his initiative, perseverance and outstanding ability, he efficiently performed the tasks relating to rigging, repairing, loading and unloading through extended assignments prior to and during assault operations. His conduct was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Naval Service."

Pfc. Buck, 22-year-old McGrath, Minn., Marine, has been a patient here since November. A veteran of the Marshalls, Saipan and Tinian with the Fourth Division, he was wounded at Saipan and wears the Purple Heart, Unit Citation and Pacific theatre ribbons.

The modest young Marine was totally surprised by the announcement that he was to receive the Bronze Medal award.

His citation from Lt. Gen. H. M. Smith, U.S.M.C., read:

"For heroic achievement in the prosecution of his duties as rifleman during action against enemy forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, from 5 July to 9 July, 1944. On several occasions, Private First Class Buck volunteered as a scout for his platoon while engaged in mopping up isolated pockets of enemy resistance behind the front lines.

"On 9 July, he was a member of a squad assigned the task of clearing some enemy out of a cave in the vicinity of Marpi Point. As the squad approached the cave, the enemy threw several grenades and



Private First Class Buck bravely exposed himself to the grenade shrapnel and fired upon the enemy to cover the movement of the others of his squad.

"He was severely wounded at this time by shrapnel. His coolness under fire and gallant conduct throughout were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

CHICAGO SURGEON INSPECTS HOSPITAL

Dr. Paul S. Ferguson of the American College of Surgeons, Chicago, visited on the hospital compound last week.

His inspection here dealt with the hospital standardization survey being conducted by the American College of Surgeons in regard to the establishment of advanced training in surgery for medical corps officers.



FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE—Chief Boatswain's Mate Ray Anthony Polaski, USNR (left) is shown being awarded the Bronze Star Medal by Rear Admiral W. L. Mann, Jr., in ceremonies which took place on this station 15 February. Pictured at left is Pfc. Ervin A. Buck, USMCR, who received the Bronze Star Medal on 16 February. Presentation to Buck was made by Cmdr. Walter Voegtlin, MC, USNR, at Ward inspection.

Special Masts Held For Liberty Requests

Gone are the days (we hope) of the fouled-up lists, with the inauguration of a new system of special liberty request masts for patients.

According to a hospital order, effective 16 February, request mast for patients desiring special liberty, including VAP, will be held daily at 1100 except Sundays and holidays, in the auditorium of the recreation building.

All patients for special liberty request mast will be required to have a request form completely filled in and signed (approved or disapproved), by the ward medical officer. Outside detail patients must also have the signature of the outside detail officer.

Officers of the Day and Security Watch Officers will not grant special liberty, if, in the opinion of the

LT. JOYCE IS NEW COMMISSARY OFFICER

Lt. John Joyce, H.C. USN, has arrived here to take over his duties as hospital commissary officer, replacing Lt. (jg) Dallas Finch.

Lt. Joyce came aboard from temporary duty at the Naval Hospital Supply Depot, Brooklyn, N. Y., and was previously stationed at the Naval hospital in Philadelphia.

With "the way to a man's heart is through his stomach," as a slogan, the new commissary officer stands in good stead to become the most popular officer on the compound.

Officer of the Day, a dire emergency or urgent necessity exists, cases may be referred to the Senior Watch Officer who has authority to grant special liberty in such cases after office hours.

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FROM YOUR SKIPPER

The responsibility of assuming the editorship of the Stethoscope is one that may easily occasion some apprehension. With the background, character and reputation of the new editor for her efficiency, the Commanding Officer is assured that the Stethoscope under her editorship will continue to make the steady progress it has since its inception. Mary M. Herzog, PhM3c, has been selected because she has had much experience in the journalistic field; because of the leadership and efficiency she has shown as a member of the staff for the past eleven months, and because there is confidence in her character and in her ability. She is to be congratulated on having been appointed editor and to her goes the sincere best wishes of the Commanding Officer and his associates. She will need help and interest in the work that she has been given to perform. The Stethoscope is the hospital's paper and not any individual's responsibility or product. Therefore, it is incumbent on all hands to assist the new editor in an obligation of service which can only be successfully executed if there is the consciousness that her efforts for the welfare of the hospital are appreciated. She and the group appointed to work with her will maintain the Stethoscope at its high standard if there is cooperativeness on the part of the other members of the staff. To her we wish smooth sailing and a pleasant cruise at the helm of the Stethoscope.

J. T. Boone (MC), U. S. Navy
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Marines Invited To Write Combat Stories

Marines are invited to put their knowledge and experiences to good use while they are patients. The Marine Corps Gazette is anxious to have officers and enlisted personnel who have returned from combat, state their ideas and conclusions which combat experience has given them.

A technical military magazine, the Marine Corps Gazette will pay for any manuscripts published. Captain Anderson, the Marine Education officer, has a list of suggested subjects to choose from and all the details of the opportunity may be secured by seeing the Captain at the Education building.

Cmdr. Wannamaker To Head Red Cross Drive

Commander Frank H. Wannamaker (MC), USNR, has been named chairman of the Naval Hospital's annual Red Cross War Fund Campaign, according to announcement by the Commanding Officer, Capt. J. T. Boone. The local drive will open 15 March.

Named to the committee to serve with Cmdr. Wannamaker are Lt. Wilbur B. Brookover (S) USNR, and Lt. (jg) Corinne Q. Way, W(H), USNR.

Plans for the campaign were outlined by the committee at a meeting held last week.

REAR ADM. CHRISTIE ASSUMES COMMAND AT PUGET SOUND YARD

Rear Admiral Ralph W. Christie, U.S.N., who has been serving as Commander, Submarines, Southwest Pacific, with additional duty as Commander of a task force, 15 February, relieved Rear Admiral Robert M. Griffin, U.S.N., as Commandant of the Puget Sound Navy Yard at Bremerton.

Admiral Griffin will continue as Commandant of the Thirteenth Naval District of which he assumed command 15 December, 1944, when Vice Admiral S. A. Taffinder was transferred to a command at sea. Until Admiral Christie took command of the Navy Yard, Admiral Griffin was Commandant there as well as over the district. In his present duty, Admiral Griffin will have headquarters in Seattle for Thirteenth Naval District activities in Washington, Oregon, Montana and Wyoming.

FOUR OFFICES OPEN IN NEW LOCATION

Four new offices have set up quarters in the building which is located two doors beyond the garage.

Situated in the new location are: Chaplain Doty's office, the Civil Readjustment office, U. S. Employment service, office of the new insurance and benefits officer and representative of the labor board.

Lt. Lamont R. Johnson (D) L, has been announced as the new insurance and benefits officer.

An ample central waiting room has been provided for the offices.



"The extra money she saves by wearing her mother's old yeomanette uniform goes right into War Bonds!"

New York (CNS)—When Johnny comes marching home he will find a famed New York institution missing. The Fifth Avenue Coach Company's old open top buses are going to be sold to Mexico City.

Chaplain's Corner

DIVINE SERVICES Hospital Chapel CATHOLIC

Chaplain.....John Lane
Sunday Masses.....0620 and 0930
Weekday Mass.....0620 Daily
Confessions: Heard before all masses.

PROTESTANT

Chaplains.....W. Boyd Thrift
Lloyd A. Doty
Divine Services.....1030
Choir Rehearsal.....Wednesdays, 1700

ARE YOU LONELY?

War, the great separator is the direct cause of untold loneliness. Men and women are thrown together and shuffled about disregarding friendships and kinships. As a result, the world is full of strangers and lonely people. This is a necessary result of thorough organization and mobilization. Is there no cure for our loneliness? It is not helpless, for there are a number of very definite and helpful things which we can do to cure our loneliness and homesickness.

The first "cure" is to keep our contacts. These need not be visible, but we need to be aware of them. The telephone, radio and mail are magnificent avenues for keeping the familiar contacts. Letters motivated by love and friendship both sent and received would heal much of the hurt of war-separation. Those letters must be friendly, trustful and sincere, if they are going to keep the contacts.

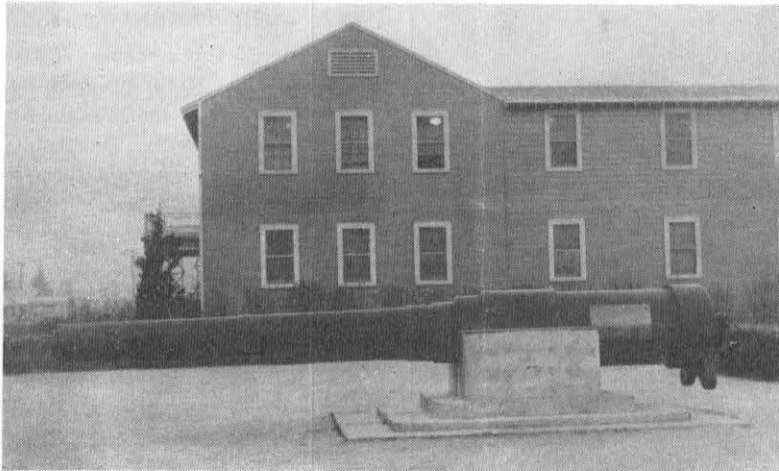
Secondly, we have our imaginations. God surely has wonderfully made us in such a way that our minds cannot only respond to direct and immediate environment, but also transport us in imagination to any place in the universe.

These two so-called cures are not of much value unless at the same time we make the strange, familiar.

Each of us, because we need others in our lives, must go more than half way in the mutual process of making friends. Each person that we antagonize is a person lost from our sphere of helpful association. Man is a "gregarious animal" and is normal and healthy only when in association with others of the same kindred spirit. Much of the trouble and change in human relations in a downward direction, is our attempt to escape from fears and loneliness. It often results in our association with and following of those whose standards of conduct are not as high as our own. Choose your friends as carefully as you would choose a house in which to live.

Are you lonely? Write a letter, telephone home, take a walk, get acquainted—or yes, go have a talk with your chaplain.—L.A.D.

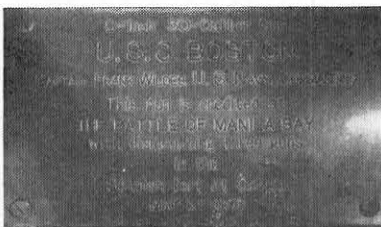
Decorative Gun Mounts Recall Story of Manila Bay Victory



Many questions have been asked as to the history of the guns mounted on either side of the Administration building at the entrance to the hospital compound and few on the base have taken time to read their inscriptions.

Appearing to be much the same type of cannon mounted in the public squares of many of our home towns, the local bit of decorative art has a deep significance to Naval history and their story ties up closely with the news being made by our Navy today.

Both of the 8-inch 30 caliber guns were taken from the old U.S.S. Boston, which under the command of Capt. Frank Wildes, USN, were part of Admiral Dewey's fleet which made the attack on the Philippine Islands in 1898.



The gun, port side of the administration building, is credited with firing the first shot at the Battle of Manila Bay as Admiral Dewey's squadron passed Corregidor Island, May 1, 1898. The starboard gun is credited at the Battle of Manila Bay, with dismounting three guns in the Spanish fort at Cavite on the same date.

According to Spanish War history, when the war began our Pacific squadron was at Hong Kong under the command of Commodore George Dewey. Through the efforts of Theodore Roosevelt, assisted secretary of the Navy, the squadron was in excellent condition for offense and it was ordered to the Philippine Islands to capture or destroy the Spanish fleet. Three days later Dewey set out with the Olympia, his flagship, the Baltimore, Raleigh and Boston, armed cruisers of from 5,800 to 3,000 tons; the gunboats Concord and Petrel, the revenue cutter McCulloch, a collier, and a supply ship.

During the night of the 30th he reached the entrance of Manila Bay and had sailed past the outer defenses before he was discovered. At dawn he drew up before Cavite, a strongly fortified place, and opened fire, reducing the defenses by noon and receiving the surrender. With the loss of only one American life, he had secured a position dominating the city and taken the Spanish fleet, a flotilla of ten warships. Dewey was made a rear admiral and later an admiral as a reward for his gallantry.

The guns were located at the Bremerton Navy Yard and secured from there by the first commanding officer of the hospital, Capt. Murdock, and soon after the commissioning of this hospital were mounted in their present position.

Cadet Nurse Director Leaves For New Duties

Missed by many will be the smiling face of Lt. Hazel Griffith, NNC, USNR, who left 21 February for the U. S. Naval Hospital at St. Albans, N. Y., where she will take over her duties as director of the Cadet Nurses program on that station.

Lt. Griffith has been in charge of the Cadet program on the local compound since its inception in April, 1944. In the Navy for the past 37 months, Lt. Griffith served at the Wave Naval Training School at Cedar Falls, Ia., before coming to Seattle.

Taking over as director of the local Cadet program is Lt. (jg) Marie Pound, NNC, USNR, who has arrived here from similar service at the Naval hospital in Oakland, Calif. Assisting Lt. (jg) Pound is Lt. (jg) Mildred MacLay, NC, USNR, who came aboard from the Naval Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Chaplains Announce New Location, Office Hours

Patients and staff members are always welcome in the chaplains' offices and due to the large number of calls on their services it has been deemed advisable to remind the personnel of their office hours.

Protestant Chaplains Thrift and Doty who have formerly occupied the same office are now located in different buildings. The latter, who is in charge of the patients in Wards 20 to 29 and 40 to 51, is situated in the building near the hospital corps quarters at the north end of the compound. His office is open from 0830 to 1000 and from 1300 to 1400.

Chaplain Thrift still maintains his office in the Recreation building and holds office hours at the same time. His patients are located in Wards 32 to 37, 1 to 10 and the sick officers' quarters.

All patients are requested to cooperate in contacting the chaplain assigned to their ward.

Catholic Chaplain Lane has his office in the Recreation building and it is open from 0730 to 1630. All Catholic patients are invited to contact him there.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (HCQNS)

—In accordance with the Surgeon General's aim that all men on overseas drafts will have any necessary dental work completed prior to leaving the United States, arrangements have been made at dental facilities in the San Francisco Bay area to handle the men prior to sailing.

VOWS SPOKEN BY WAVE IN CHAPEL CEREMONY

In a double-ring ceremony performed by Chaplain Doty in the hospital Chapel on the Hill the evening of 23 February Wave Gertrude Scheffler, HA2c, became the bride of Donald W. Lash, S1c, stationed at the Bremerton Navy Yard. Mrs. Lash is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Scheffler of Grand Rapids, Mich., and her husband, a former patient here, is from Des Moines, Ia.

The bride, who wore her dress blue uniform, was given in marriage by Cmdr. John F. Ramsay. Her attendant was Wave Mary Sawyer, H.A.1c, and Dick Turner, A.S. V-12, served as best man. The nuptial music was provided by Bruce Rogers and George Groher, chaplain's assistants. Following the ceremony a supper was served to the wedding party in Seattle.

H. C. RECRUIT QUOTAS UPPED BY BUMED

Washington, D. C. (HCQNS) — Recruit quotas for Hospital Corps indoctrination training have been jumped to 516 a week beginning 3 March, it was announced by Lt. Comdr. Edward G. Dennis (HC) USN, Hospital Corps Personnel Officer, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

As a result the period of instruction will be reduced from the current 16 weeks to 9 weeks. The increase will more than double the number of hospital corpsmen completing the basic course. Current graduates average 220 weekly.

Conduct Annual Examination Here



Shown above are members of the special board of medical examiners who conducted the annual regular Navy physical fitness examination here for officers of the 13th Naval District. They are, from left to right, first row: Capt. Herman Riebe (DC) USN; Capt. Clifford

Hines, (MC) USN; Rear Adm. E. C. White, (MC) USN; Capt. J. C. Rud-dock, (MC) USNR; Capt. O. W. Butler, (MC) USNR. Back row: Capt. Everett H. Dickinson, (MC) USNR; Lt. Sidney P. Mitchell, (MC) USN; Capt. Harry P. Schenck, (MC) USNR.



By JANE RAYMOND, PhM3c

Water, Water Everywhere . . . They say the most water that a WAVE sees is the water in her laundry tubs. But if all those gallons of laundry water were put into one great big tub, the WAVE could truthfully say she has seen a lot of water during her duration in the Navy. Any WAVE will agree gallons are used for the frequent tubbings. Much of her off-duty time is spent washing and ironing. WAVES coming off ward duty a half hour before bed check stop for breath, and then run off to the laundry with "I've got to rinse out a few things." Girls due liberty may be seen hurriedly sudsing clothes before catching the liberty bus. Nine times out of ten the shipmate asked to go to the show will parry with "I've got to rinse out a few things before I go." Friendships were born between wash-machine sharers. Scuttlebutt passes often from the girl at one laundry tub to the WAVE washing shirts at the next. Even the barracks recreation lounges lack the congeniality and buzzing activity demonstrated in the laundry rooms. Over the ironing boards oftentimes the girls who seldom meet find themselves joining in a duet or a trio. Singing makes time move faster. Recorded music played in the adjoining rec' room of the "hold" drifts into the midst of hot irons, hot water and the odors of freshly ironed starch or woolen cloth. Laundry time can be nice, but who wants their conscience to say "You've got a few things to rinse out before, etc."

From Farragut: Two WAVES unpacked their bags here last week upon arrival from Farragut. They are Dwynelle Taylor, Sp(M)3c, and Delores Wiczorick, SKD3c.

It was his birthday but she got the gift: Well, it was her beau's birthday. Imagine "Polly" Parrott's surprise when he gave her gift in a vice-versa sort of way. A silver mounted dressing table set, comprised the present.

Famous Dr. Wassell Promoted to Captain

Dr. Croyden M. Wassell, who visited on this station last summer, has been promoted to the rank of captain, according to recent announcement. Capt. Wassell received the Navy Cross and a Presidential Commendation for leading wounded sailors to safety after the collapse of the Java defense in the early days of the war.

He is now attached to the west coast naval public relations office.

HOLLYWOOD STARS VISIT WARDS



Shown above with movie star Akim Tamiroff, when he visited Ward 1 are, from left to right: Edward Wisowaty, David Lesser, Elmer Woehler, C. L. Ray and C. A. Manning.

By JANE RAYMOND

In pleasant surprise the sailor with his leg in plaster grasped the outstretched hand of Akim Tamiroff as the motion picture actor with his colleague, Leonard Kinsky, congenially introduced themselves to the first patients they met on their recent informal tour of the wards.

The sailor, Edward Wisowaty on Ward 1 had expected the two Russian-born actors—familiar to millions of theatregoers—to entertain the men from the distant center of the ward, instead of walking up with the old handshake greeting.

Talking and smoking with Tamiroff, C. A. Manning, BM2c; C. L. Ray, S1c; Elmer G. Woehler, MOM M1c, and David Lesser, F2c, gathered around the sailor's sack. And that's the way it went from bed to bed, from wards 1, 2, 3, 5, 37 to 51—discussing everything from climate, baldheads, eating pie-a-lamode three days in a row to the different characteristics of southern and northern Russians.

On the starboard side of Ward 1, lanky, blonde Kinsky scuttled with E. B. Adams, PhM2c; A. L. Brantman, PhM2c, and R. J. McDonald, ChPhM.

Both actors spoke with an accent and looked just as they do on the screen.

"We've been on tour only ten days and in that short time have talked to thousands of men. It's nice," said Kinsky.

"Akim and I have been friends for 18 years, but the first time we worked together in pictures was for our appearance in "Can't Help Singing," he told the patients.

Tamiroff agreed with the men that Ingrid Bergman is beautiful and spoke highly of Gary Cooper upon discussing "For Whom the Bells Toll," a film for which many of the patients remembered his performance.

New Western Union Office Opens Here

That popular saying of "don't write—wire," has become an easy reality on the hospital compound with the opening of the new Western Union service lounge, located directly north of the telephone lounge and across from Ward 8.

With the opening of the new Western Union office on the station, scheduled for 27 February, patients and staff personnel will have accessible to them wire service for both incoming and outgoing telegrams and delivery of money orders received here.

Construction of the office was made possible through the closing of the passageway formerly leading to the post office. Western Union has installed a teletype printer and will staff the office which will be open from 0900 to 1800, seven days a week.

San Diego, Cal. (CNS)—Petros Protopapadakis has applied at Federal Court here for a change of name. His new name: Petros FDR Protopapadakis.

"You know, in that picture, my eye appeared red in one scene," said Tamiroff. "Everyone thought it was make-up, but do you want to know what really made the redness? A punch on the nose caused it. The blow was supposed to have been faked, but the Mexican couldn't get close enough to my nose without hitting it to make it look real, so what to do? He hit me. What a punch!"

NURSES' NOTES

ENS. ROSE THORNTON, NC.

Lt. (jg) G. Buvinghausen spoke about the Cadet Nurse program before the women of the Washington Athletic Club recently. The county public health nurse gave a party in Miss Buvinghausen's honor Saturday evening, 17 February.

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The nurses are grateful to the management of the Moore theatre for the free tickets to the opera, "Aida" last week, and this week to the operetta, "Naughty Marietta." Both were enjoyed very much.

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The night nurses are getting their fresh air, and sunshine—well, at least their fresh air—by walking to Lake City every morning.

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We wish to welcome aboard Lt. (jg) M. Pound who came to us from the U. S. Naval hospital at Mare Island, Calif., and Lt. (jg) M. MacLay, who hails from Brooklyn, replacing Misses Griffith and Jessih on the Cadet Nurse program.

Red Cross Director Is Pacific Veteran

Miss Margaret Everett, a veteran of 27 months' service with the Red Cross in the South Pacific, has arrived on the compound and taken over duties as Red Cross recreation director. Miss Everett fills the position formerly held by Miss Louise Isgreen, who left several months ago for Oakland, Calif.

Returned from the Pacific on rotation last August, Miss Everett has since September been recreation director at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D. C.

Her duty in the Pacific included one year in the Friendly Islands, duty with Mob 4 and several months spent in Auckland, N. Z.

"We lived in tents for seven months," said Miss Everett in discussing her work overseas, "but it was fascinating work." She has been in Red Cross work for three years, previous to which time she resided in New York where she was active in theatre work and music circles.

Leaving last week for her new duty with the Red Cross was Miss Martha Fogge, on the Red Cross staff here since last September. Miss Fogge has acted as recreation director. She came to the local hospital from Camp White and her new post is Camp Beale, Marysville, Calif. She will be at an army station hospital.

Other new faces in the Red Cross offices include Miss Lorraine Berg, new to Red Cross from Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Virginia Sampson, both hospital workers.

Station Basketball Team Points To Fine Record and Successful Season

The Naval Hospital varsity basketball team closed a highly successful season 19 February. The team wound up as champions of the Puget Sound Service Men's League with a record of 18 wins and one defeat and a season's record of 26 wins and 2 defeats.

The team, composed of one officer, corpsmen and specialists, carried a fine spirit and teamwork was their main forte. The team proved its worth many times during the season and have every right to feel proud of its record.

The squad was composed of many college and high school players, including Lt. (jg) Leo Beebe of the University of Michigan; Gil Hodggen, University of Oregon; Harold Barrow, Westminster College in Missouri; Dean Howell, Marysville High School; Roger Larson, St. Olaf College, Minnesota; George "Butch" Nash, University of Minnesota, and Dale Brewster, captain and only returning veteran from last year's hospital team.

The team was ably coached by Lt. Dave Ross, staff physical training officer, former Lafayette College star and coach of Paterson, N. J., Eastside high school.

In reviewing the year's record set by the team it was shown that the hospital quint chalked up 19 straight wins and took 26 of their 28 tilts. Their total points for the year amounted to 1,130 as against 735 scored by their opponents. The average hospital score per game was 40.3 as compared to 26.3 for opponents.

Individual Record

Player	No. Games	Total Points
Nash, G.	27	268
Beebe, F.	26	213
Howell, F.	26	160
Barrow, C.	16	135
Brewster, G.	28	106
Hodgen, F.	19	49
Larson, F.	10	14
Rath, F.	3	7

Cadets Upset Waves In Overtime Session

In a recent hotly contested basketball game at Lakeside school the Cadet Nurses eked out a 17-13 overtime win over the Waves.

An exceedingly close score all through the game drew a round of enthusiasm from the cheering sections.

The regular game ended in a 13 all tie with Feather of the Cadets high scorer with 10 points and G. Adams high for the Waves with six points.

Hollywood (CNS)—Sally Rand, fan dancing artiste, won a legal battle against 2 photographers who claim she scratched and bit them after they took pictures of her when her fans were out of line. "After all," she testified, "a girl is entitled to some privacy." The judge agreed. "Case dismissed," said he.

Hospital Bowler Cops Service League Honor

I. Schlesselman, Naval hospital ace bowler, took honors for the local base in the Northwest Service Bowling League by scoring the high average for the season.

Members of the hospital team won two out of three tilts from Fort Lawton in the final meet of the season on 18 February.

Rated above the title tilt was the fight for the season's high average score won by Schlesselman, who came out on top by a single pin. His 186 nosed out John Scheuer of Sand Point who dropped two pins when he rolled a 503.

Individual Scoring

Bateman	160	213	177	559
Abranowski	125	177	167	469
Horner	146	177	137	460
Schlesselman	207	200	167	528

Physical Fitness Set-Up Offered Staff Personnel

The following schedule has been approved as a physical training program for staff personnel. The program is voluntary and facilities of the Lakeside school are available. Everyone is invited to participate in the assigned schedule and details of the program may be secured by calling 227.

Officers: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 1800 to 1915; Nurses: Monday, 1930 to 2030; Waves, Wednesday and Thursday, 1930 to 2030; C.P.O.'s, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 1645 to 1800.

Staff Officers Win From Headquarters

The Hospital staff officers basketball team wreaked their vengeance after a losing spree to take a 36-31 victory over the 13th Naval Headquarters quint in a recent tilt.

Although closely pressed throughout the game, the officers hit their stride and led all the way. High scoring officer was Ewen with 14 points and Barnett of Headquarters was high with 10 points.

Pittsburgh (CNS)—Mrs. Pearl Hurst didn't mind it when her husband toted a bottle of whisky to bed with him every night, she testified in a divorce petition here, but she did start to complain after he began whamming her over the head with the empty jug.

Buffalo, N. Y. (CNS)—Twenty-one years ago Mike Healy dropped his watch into Lake Erie. Last week it was returned to him by the Buffalo police pawn shop squad.

Champions of Service Men's League



NAVAL HOSPITAL BASKETBALL TEAM—Commanding Officer Joel T. Boone proudly displays the trophy won by the Naval Hospital varsity basketball team who brought the hospital colors through to the championship of the Puget Sound Service Men's League, completing a highly successful season.

Pictured above are: First row, left to right, Dean Howell, Phm3c; Capt. Boone; Dale Brewster, PhM1c, captain of the team; Capt. F. C. Hill, executive officer; Harold Barrow, Sp.(A)1c.

Second Row—Frank Hogan, PhM3c, scorekeeper; Gil Hodggen, ChSp(A); George Nash, ChSp(A); Lt. (jg) Leo Beebe; Lt. Dave Ross, coach, and Lyle Pitner, PhM2c, timer.

SPORTS

GEORGE NASH, SPORTS EDITOR

SPORT SHOTS—

It's good to see the genuine enjoyment that the staff officers get out of their basketball sessions; which also goes for the Cadet Nurses and Waves.

Congratulations to Schlesselman of the hospital bowling team for his accomplishment in the Northwest Service Men's Bowling League. He rolled the season's highest average, 186.

Highlighting the basketball season:

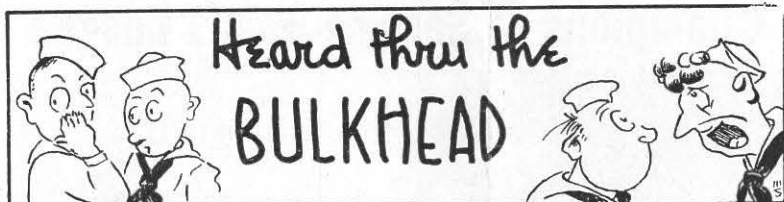
The bitter games which were played in the Puget Sound League. Toughest game was the second VR-5 tilt. That one with the Ack-Ack team which was too close for comfort. The hospital team's hot shooting streak in the first Arlington game. The defeat dropped to the strong Bremerton Receiving ship quint. The show of defensive strength by the hospital team was probably their strongest point.

Fallon, Mont. (CNS)—When Farmer Chris Johansen's bridge collapsed, he had to walk 50 miles every morning to get from his house to his barn in order to milk his cow, Boss. Things are a little better now that the bridge has been repaired. Johansen can get to his barn in 5 minutes. But, alas his cow has gone dry.

Accolades to Lyle Pitner, PhM2c, and Frank Hogan, PhM3c, of the Physical Training department staff for their time and work during the season. They did a fine job. To Jim Rork, PhM2c, for his officiating; Harold Gray, PhM3c, of the garage for his staunch support; to Mr. Flanagan and officials of the Lakeside school for their wonderful generosity. Congrats to Dean Howell, PhM3c, for the noticeable improvement in his play. Looks like he has a real future in the cage game. A word for Dale Brewster, PhM1c, who played good ball, and Hal Barrow who helped the team so much after he joined the club. Gil Hodggen contributed to the reserve strength and much of the success of the team was do to the remarkable shooting work of Lt. Beebe. The season was fun and successful.

Health Program Planned To Rehabilitate 4Fs

Washington (CNS)—In an effort to fit for military duty or essential war jobs as many as possible of the 750,000 4Fs who have remediable defects, the Senate subcommittee on Wartime Health and Education has prepared a program of medical, surgical and educational rehabilitation.



Is Dave Hunt, PhM1c, trying to be unpatriotic to his country? At least his draft board thought so when they sent him a card threatening to put him in 1-A. Maybe they have the wrong Hunt.

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The tables were turned on this business of "replacing a man for sea duty" and Stanforth is still scratching his head and asking, "Who's replacing who." Seems as though his new duties on Ward 35 will replace Wave Stephens, PhM3c, for duty outside the continental limits.

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"Bill says he is in close touch with the heads of the most important points on the station."

"Yes, he's the barber."

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Overheard at the Valentine Dance: "And furthermore, THAT is NOT one of the four freedoms." Was that corpsman's face red?

If Little Red Riding Hood lived today,

The modern WAVE would scorn 'er. She only had to meet one wolf. Not one on every corner.

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Editor: "What's new on the station?"

PhM: "Dunno; I haven't been ashore lately."

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There has been a shortage of whiskey in this country. So, everyone has been forced to gin and beer it.

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They tell us at the Educational building that things have become so highly specialized in their department that even the mice are educated. In a recent campaign to get rid of the pests five traps were set and the "mousies" got away with bait out of four of them and sprung the traps too.

PATIENTS, STAFF ENTERTAINED



Deep appreciation is displayed by the patients from Ward 51, pictured above, listening intently to the music of soloist Max Dolin, outstanding Seattle violinist, who entertained at a recent party there. Dolin, in addition to his symphony work, is also a popular radio contributor.

TIPS ON THE PIX

Recreation Auditorium

Shows at 1730 and 1930

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 28—

No Show.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1—

"EARL CARROLL'S VANITIES."
Dennis O'Keefe and Constance Moore.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2—

SPECIAL NEWS PROGRAM 1730
STAGE SHOW 1930

SATURDAY, MARCH 3—

"HEAVENLY BODY"
William Powell and Hedy LaMarr



Nyack, N. Y. (CNS)—Author Ben Hecht was walking by friend Charles MacArthur's house when he spotted a light gleaming in the cellar. As MacArthur is now an Army colonel, stationed overseas, Hecht called a cop and they investigated. They discovered a bunch of local residents guzzling the MacArthur gin in the wine cellar. "Won't you join us?" the tipplers invited. "No thanks. Won't you join us?" replied the cop, leading the group to the local jail.

FAMOUS LAST WORDS:

"Dr. Scott is going to mention my liver in his new book."

Ads 'n Stuff

LOST—Pea coat belonging to Dave Hunt, PhM1c, was taken by mistake from mess hall. Dave is most interested in having the present owner return his pipe and tobacco pouch which was in the pocket.

WANTED—Singers for Protestant choir. Trade a little liberty in return for the professional training you will receive. Rehearsals at the chapel Wednesdays 1700-1800. See Groher in the chaplain's office.

LOST—Silver I.D. bracelet engraved with the name, James F. McDonough, 8614193. If found, return to owner who is on the staff.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Believe in the genius of man, for is not genius the thought and desire for something better in life, which all men possess . . . although expressed by few.

Do not be afraid of criticism, for even those who criticize gain something from new thoughts, and remember, too, that nature must produce millions of our species in order to gain a few really brilliant men.

Thought is the thing . . .

Taylor.

VEŦ, 22, ENTERS 6TH GRADE

Tampa, Fla. (CNS)—A 22-year-old veteran, who, under the GI Bill of Rights may receive \$50 a month subsistence while resuming his studies, has enrolled in the 6th grade of a public school here.



Shown above are a group of the guests attending the All-Hands Valentine dance held in the hospital auditorium. The Rhythm Doctors played sweet music from behind a screen of large Valentines, and Seattle Junior Hostesses, Waves, Nurses and Cadets were featured girls of the evening.

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Valentine's Day on the Naval Hospital station called for a round of parties on some of the wards and an All-Hands station dance the evening of 16 February which was well attended.

The recreation building auditorium was made festive by the Red Cross workers with large red hearts and frilly Valentines and the refreshment table was the popular spot on the lower deck. Jive fans and adherents to the sweet style crowded the floor to dance to the music of the hospital's Rhythm Doctors.

Intermission entertainment featured organ selections by George Groher, vocal numbers by Lt. (jg) Fred R. Asbury and selections by a trio of Seattle girls.

Winners of the waltz contest were RDM3c and Mrs. George P. Fegola, the former from Ward 24. Judges were J. Townsend, Y2c, Wd. 45; Wave Dorothy Rucker, PhM3c, and Cpl. Jim Miller, Marine guard.

Ward patients unable to attend the affair were provided with parties by the Red Cross. Among the most successful of the affairs was the one held on Ward 51, at which Max Dolin, popular Seattle violinist, was soloist.